

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

With this Preliminary Amendment "A," Applicants amend the specification to spell out various acronyms. No new matter is presented in these amendments. Applicants amend claims 6, 12, 14 and 25 to remove the word "may" from claims 6 and 12. The remaining claim amendments correct informal issues and, in some cases, ensure proper antecedent basis. Applicants respectfully submit that the amended claims are fully supported by the specification, and do not present new matter.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If any fees or time extensions are inadvertently omitted or if any fees have been overpaid, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Hewlett-Packard Company Deposit Account Number 08-2025 and enter any time extension(s) necessary to prevent this case from being abandoned.

Respectfully submitted,



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